MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Sir, I beg leave to move an adjournment of the business of the Council to discuss a matter of urgent public importance.

[The member had already handed over a written copy of the motion to the President].

PRESIDENT: Mr. Damodaran Asan wishes the House to discuss the "miserable condition" into which the agriculturists of Central and North Travancore have been thrown, because of the heavy rains that took place recently. I do not think that it will be of much use in adjourning to discuss the matter, in respect of which very few members of this House have any sort of information. So far as I have been able to ascertain, there have been heavy, unseasonal rains, which have affected punja cultivation, mainly in the Ambalapuzha taluk. I do not think that scanty information will enable any useful discussion on the subject now before the House. But the motion is in order and I have no objection to admit it, if the House wishes to adjourn for the discussion of the question. I would suggest that we collect some information in two or three days' time and then we shall have sufficient information to discuss the matter. I have no objection to allow a discussion on the matter.

REGULATION ASSENTED TO BY HER HIGHNESS THE MAHA RANI REGENT.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government and Secretary to the Legislative Council*): I beg to announce that the Abkari Regulation Amendment Bill received the assent of Her Highness the Maha Rani Regent, on the 12th February, 1929.

STATEMENT LAID ON THE TABLE.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): Sir, under Rule 52 of the Legislative Council Rules, I beg to lay on the table the following statement of expenditure authorised by the Government under Section 16 (9) of the Legislative Council Regulation, II of 1097.

Demand No.	Amount Rs.	Particulars.
XVI—Medical and Sanitary —Chemical Examiner, Ayurveda etc.	3,060	For completing the hot air chamber at Kumili in connection with plague prevention work.
Do.	35,000	For expenditure in connection with cholera epidemic.

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